

S5 Table. Comparison of single and double selections on colony number and the fidelity of the GSU 1371 knockout construct.

Sample	Selection	Colonies per transformation	Correct band in colony PCR
Vector only ^a	Amp	4	N/A
Assembly ^b	Amp/Kan	61	10/10
Assembly ^b	Amp	126	27/35
Assembly ^b	Kan ^c	68	10/10

^a Only the vector fragment (10 ng) was introduced into 25 µl of cells as a negative control.

^b The insert DNA fragments were first combined with 10 ng of the vector fragment at a 5:1 molar ratio for insert and vector, and then with 25 µl of cells.

^c Although Kan was the only antibiotic used, this selection was equivalent to double selection because the origin of replication needed in the final product was provided by the vector fragment.